

America Carrying Torch For Whole World

Jenkins Camden Dispatch Paced Private N. J. Mail Firm In '50's

Plum (Arch) Street Man Who Started First Service In
State Had Own Stamps Printed; Government
Took Over In 1883

Three years before the United States government appointed letter carriers and developed its present system of collecting and distributing mail, Camden, New Jersey, had its own letter carrier service.

This local forerunner to the government mail delivery system, well known to philatelists, is not so generally realized by residents

Attractive Envelopes Offered For The New Four Freedoms Stamp

Frederick B. Fitts Co., of Framingham, Mass., are again offering readers of this magazine attractive two-colored cacheted envelopes for the new Four Freedoms stamp which is to be issued from Washington, D. C., on February 12th, Lincoln's birthday.

These envelopes feature a design portraying the goddess of Liberty breaking the chains binding speech, religion, want and fear from around a map of the western hemisphere and of the world.

Mr. Fitts tells us that on this stamp they were three days ahead of the postoffice. Anticipating the early issuance of a new 1c stamp they had already had prepared a drawing as above for use with a 1-cent stamp, when much to their surprise and delight the postoffice was kind enough to use a theme on the stamp closely paralleling the design offered by the Fitts Co., in an advertisement elsewhere in this issue.

Prompt orders for first day envelopes are advised since the mails are not as fast as they once were, and delays are almost inevitable in transmission of orders through the parcel post.

MORE PART PERFS.

Albert E. Tabler of Hamilton, Ohio reports finding the 18c Presidential stamp with some perfs missing. Most usual items noted is vertical pairs with two horizontal perfs. missing. Also vertical pairs which show only four perf. holes between the stamps. This is getting very close to being imperfect between and with close watch, someone may find almost any of this issue imperfect. between. The above stamps are from lower left panes, plates 22817 and 22818.

NEW ALBUM PRICE LIST

The Tatham Stamp & Coin Co., Springfield, Mass., have just issued a new pocket size list of Albums. The list has a very complete offering of the best stamp albums and should prove interesting to any collector who is considering a new album. Copies are free on request.

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of this area. Back in the middle of the 19th century, the government didn't gather up and distribute mail from house to house as it does today. So enterprising citizens of various cities conceived the idea of doing it as a private business. They put up letter boxes, produced stamps, and sold



SOJEX 1943 SEALS

Five Card Proofs in Five Colors from Original
Electrotype Used to Print the Jenkins Camden
Dispatch Stamped Envelopes, Which Are 90
Years Old This Year, Issued by the Association
of South Jersey Stamp Clubs at its
Exhibition in Camden, Sunday, Feb. 28.

them, picked up mail and made deliveries, just as Uncle Sam does it today.

The first of these individual business firms with its own local stamps was the Blood Company of Philadelphia, launched in 1841. New York saw its first local postal service in 1844, when a man named Boyd set up business.

Started Here in 1853

The next such service was the Jenkins Camden Dispatch, instituted by Samuel H. Jenkins from his home at 428 Plum street (now Arch street) in 1853. Jenkins had a distinctive stamp made by a Philadelphia lithographer with the words "Jenkins Camden Dispatch" surrounding a portrait of George Washington.

Later Jenkins used a typeset stamped envelope printed for his patrons from electrotype blocks.

The stamps were placed on sale in cigar stores and other commercial houses, to be sold at two cents each, which paid for delivery of each letter so stamped either from the post office to the addressee or from letter boxes to the post office.

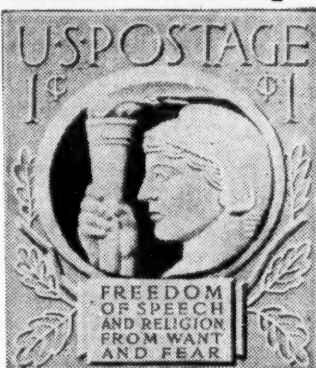
Provided Letter Boxes

Tin letter boxes were placed near such stores for the depositing and collection of letters, and Jenkins made two calls daily.

Jenkins in 1856, after he had operated his business without competition for three years, was appointed Camden's first letter carrier when the government set up a similar postal system. He died a year later and both his business and his government position were taken over by his brother, William Henry Jenkins, who continued to serve in the dual capacity until 1860.

In that year, President Lincoln replaced the younger Jenkins as mail carrier, but the latter continued his private mail delivery for at least another year in com-

Rather Frenchy



New One Cent Postage Stamp
To Be Issued From Washington
on February 12th.



New stamps issued from the Postoffice Department at Washington during November were confined solely to booklets and of the 1c and 3c value. The plates were all of the 360 subject curver Electric Eye plates. The announcement from the department indicates that all were of the Presidential series of 1938. For the 3c stamp, plates 225973-4-5-6 and for the 1c plates Numbers 22977-8.

During the month of November the only plates sent to press and printed were for the 1½c Presidential, 400 subject plates, of the Electric Eye type. Plate numbers were 22876-7 and 228880-81.

The Department also announces the origin of the material used in the 2c United Nations Stamp. The engraving was made from a photographic reproduction of an original drawing by Leon Halguera of New York. The Engraving of the Vignette was by Charles A. Brooks; the lettering and numeral by Axel W. Christensen.

The first printings of this new 2c stamp were from plates number 22986 and 22987, which will be used on the first day of issue. It is announced that the issue will be unlimited and that new plates will be prepared as rapidly as needed. This stamp will replace the 2c Defense issue.

HELP THE BELGIANS

A thousand mint sets of four "V" stamps of the Belgian Congo and Ruanda Urundi districts are on sale at face value at the Belgian Information Center, New York agency for the Belgian Ministry of Colonies.

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UNITED NATIONS COVERS

The first envelopes for the new United Nations Stamp to come to our office were the samples from Walter Poppenger of Akron, Ohio. Pop has produced a nice looking envelope for this stamp, one that is both attractive and timely, a cover that is as good a year from now as it is today for the thought expressed in the wording on the cover is what must come out of this war if we are to have anything like a permanent peace.

New Stamp Promises Utopia For The Peoples Of All Nations; United Nations Can Make It So

The new one cent stamp to be issued at Washington of February 12th, offers food for thought for all thinking people. The design is a radical departure from anything we have previously seen in our postage stamps which have held pretty closely to conservative American Historical subjects.

Even a casual study of this new stamp opens a field for thought so vast that it could take columns of space to discuss it from all angles and what we can say will merely be a skirting of the fringes of possibilities that this new stamp suggests to us. It is at once a

departure from all previous

thought along stamp design for America. A new group has influenced the choice of the design and a comparison with our stamps of the past shows that this new group has discarded our world famous symbol of American Liberty as typified by the great statue in New York Harbor and has substituted therefore a Liberty that is familiar to people of other lands more so than to the people of America.

Our symbol of Liberty has been a staunch upright figure with arm raised aloft, holding a torch that sheds a welcoming light to all the world, a Liberty with a crown of pointed spikes that stand for strength and justice.

This new symbol of Liberty looks like nothing else than the symbol that has been used and is found on the stamps of many other countries throughout the world. The early stamps of many South American countries picture the slouchy liberty cap that has been put on the head of our Liberty, the Corrientes stamps of the Argentine might well have been the copy for the head and cap of the Liberty now before us, in whose hand has been placed a torch, a torch that seems as one that might be used to set a world on fire rather than a torch proudly held aloft as a symbol of the Liberty we have won and now fight for. A figure such as we might vision leading a French mob and shouting the well known French Battle Cry for Freedom.

Yes, its a rather pretty and attractive stamp, yet such a departure from what we have long been familiar with that one can not do other at this time, than question its birthright.

The main point however is to see that this new stamp along with the new 2c United Nations Stamp issued on January 14th, shall give to the people what it represents and offers.

These two new stamps hold great possibilities if one will but consider them solely from the designs and the wording thereon without any thought as to the country of issue.

Imagine if you can, what great good might come from this present struggle if we emerge with a true group of "United Nations." There was a man who gave his very life to bring about such a

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SOMEWHAT CROWDED

Readers will doubtless be surprised at the four full pages of advertising appearing in this number of the weekly. Such a situation is a difficult one for us to handle because it cuts down so sharply on space for news, yet this is a situation that we hope will not arise too frequently.

The back page by Tatham was unlooked for, yet at the last moment was requested and we saw so way of refusing it. You see these people have used a full page of space in every one of the last five issues from December 17th through January 14th. Results must have been so gratifying that they decided to keep the ball a rolling so telegraphed for this extra page. We attribute the great success of this series of advertisements to the fact that we persuaded them to make their offers in larger and more readable type, type that any reader could scan easily without tiring from eyestrain. Dealers who will follow this pattern will profit from it. If you have been too busy to note these big ads, in the past five weeks look up your old papers and see the great offers that have been made and which they tell us have delighted them with orders.

Another remarkable advertisement ordered two weeks ago is that full page from Frederick B. Pitts & Co., Collectors who want a real live connection in the way of Cover Service will do well to look this advertisement over carefully and see what a vast amount of help it can give to cover collectors.

Then there are the two center pages by Y. Souren Company. This advertisement is amazing for the material it offers. Where else could you hope to find an amazing amount of matter and information on a single classic stamp. The advertisement itself is evidence of the immense and wonderful stock of stamps that are in the hands of these people and a study of this advertisement alone should be an education on this 2c Black Jack stamp. To better realize what is being offered, just vision if you can what a large number of these stamps must be in the dealers hands to permit of an offer such as this one. Where else have you ever seen evidence of such a wealth of material as is represented in this single advertisement.

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league following the last World War and there are those among us who still hold to the belief that had this come to pass, the present war would not have come upon us. We feel confident that there are now more people than ever before who have turned to this belief and the hope of the future of all mankind is that such a group of nations will emerge from this present conflict.

Vision if you can this United Nations stamp as a stamp of all the world, the United Nations of the World. We stamp collectors who have followed our hobby through the many pleasant fields through which it can lead us know much about the pleasures of correspondence with collectors in all countries of the world, we have come, through such correspondence to know that these people of other countries are much like ourselves, we have looked upon them as our neighbors and friends for many years past and if all the peoples of the world could have followed in the steps of those stamp collectors who have taken advantage of the pleasures of a world wide correspondence and exchange of stamps with collectors of other lands, we would come much closer to being a United Nations than ever before, and the task of making us a

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SAMUEL S. GOLDSTICKER, JR. (Department Editor)

453 Mt. Prospect Ave. Newark, N. J.
FLASH: NEW AIRMAIL ROUTE. The Civil Aeronautics Board, on Dec. 10th, authorized a new airmail to be operated by Continental Airlines, between Denver, Colo., and Kansas City, Mo., via Topeka, Kan., and Salina, Kan. While the number of this route is not known, it is presumed that it will be AM-60. The exact time when service will be inaugurated is not known at the immediate time, but covers should be sent as soon as possible. Further details will be given in a later column.

Since this is the beginning of another year, what would be more appropriate than a check list of all first flights which occurred during 1942. So, in response to many requests, here is a list of all first flights which took place during 1942.

Feb. 2, AM-32, Chicago, Ill to Muskegon, Mich. (Muskegon to Chicago took place in October, 1941), no cachet.
June 10th, AM-10, Evansville, Ind, no covers known, no cachet.
July 10th, AM-57, Bellingham, Wash. Official purple cachet.
July 16th, AM-3, Great Falls, Mont., no cachet.
Aug. 15th, AM-58, Detroit, Mich., Toledo, Ohio, Dayton, Ohio (Troy, Ohio), Cincinnati, Ohio, NEW ROUTE, no cachet.
Nov. 1, AM-58. Extension from Cincinnati to St. Louis, Mo., no cachet.
Nov. 12th, AM-59, San Juan, Puerto Rico, Charlotte Amalie, Vir. Is. St. Croix, Vir. Is., NEW ROUTE, no cachet.
Nov. 22nd, AM-4, San Diego, Calif. no cachet.

The Editor of this department will be glad to furnish any additional information on any of these flights which his readers may desire. Please enclose a reply envelope if you desire a personal reply.

Two airports were dedicated at El Paso, Tex. on Nov. 15th; Biggs Field and Ed Anderson Field were both dedicated on that date. There are no figures available as to the quantity of covers mailed on these events, but about 3,000 specially printed postal cards were mailed.

United Nations would be one that would be much simpler because the people would have a better understanding of world affairs and of the peoples of the world.

It is the young men of today who are giving their lives that some of the older isolationist group may live a few years longer and still carry on their belief that we are safe within ourselves. Let us hope that these younger men who return to U. will take up the torch when they return, that they will lead the fight to bring about what we must have for a safe and sane world of the future. Let them but fight and give to America and the world only what is symbolized by those two new stamps, A "United Nations" with "Freedom of Religion, Freedom of Speech, Freedom from Want and Fear." and those who have died to do their part will not have died in vain.

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2c DEFENSE, PAIRS, 2 PERFS. .35
2c DEFENSE, PAIRS, Several Perfs. .25
2c DEFENSE, BLOCK OF 4, 2 PERFS. 1.00
2c DEFENSE, BLOCK OF 6, 3 PERFS. 1.50
2c DEFENSE, PAIRS, No Perfs Rt Side .50
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3c DEFENSE, PAIRS, 2 PERFS. .35
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27 .02	68 .04	*91 .03	
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36 .04	*77 .01	*105 .02	
37 .30	77 .01	*108 .02	
38 .22	*78 .01	*107 .02	
41 .03	78 .02	*108 .02	
42 .01	*79 .01	*110 .01	
43 .01	79 .01	110 .02	
*44 .25	79a .06	*111 .01	
44 .06	80 .01	*112 .03	
45 .10	*80a .10	*116 .02	
46 .01	80a .02	*117 .01	
47 .01	*81 .01	117 .02	
48 .01	81a .02	*118 .01	
49 .02	*82 .01	*119 .02	
50 .01	82 .01	*119 .06	
51 .01	*83 .01	*120 .02	
55 .01	83 .01	*121 .01	
56 .01	*84 .01	*122 .05	
56a .12	*84a .10	*123 .01	
57 .01	84a .02	*124 .55	
57c .04	*85 .01	*125 .01	
58 .01	*85a .02	*126 .03	
58a .20	*85b .50	*127 .14	

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"CACHET-CRAFT" FIRST DAY SERVICE



MR. CACHET-CRAFT

Four Freedom's Stamp

1c Value — First Day at

Washington, D. C., February 12, 1943

We offer in this advertisement, complete first day coverage on this new stamp, whether you want covers sent direct to you or if you prefer to send your own.

We present to the readers of Linn's what we believe is the largest advertisement ever published offering first day covers. We are using this space in the hope of gaining many new customers from among the regular readers of Linn's and also in the hope that we can convert some collectors to first day covers.

First day cover collecting has grown by leaps and bounds over the past ten years until today there are hundreds of thousands of first day covers serviced for each new issue. Some collectors have sneered at them—why we don't know because we know of no other way that you can make such an attractive addition to your collection for such a small price as when you acquire a first day cover. Twelve cents will secure you a cover addressed to you with the new stamp, attractive cachet and first day cancellation. This will make a very handsome companion piece in your album to the used or unused copies of the stamp itself.

We have specialized in First Day covers for collectors since 1933 (although our principal business is the sending of stamps on approval), and in that time we have grown from just a few customers to several thousand. We attribute a large part of our growth in this field to the care taken in preparing covers. We print our own envelopes so that we are sure that our customers are getting as fine a printed cachet as is available, address all covers carefully with type-writer, use the best centered stamps available and enclose substantial cardboard fillers to protect the covers while in the mails.

All covers are guaranteed to reach you safely and in good condition or we replace them free of charge on receipt of the damaged cover. Why not start collecting first day covers now? What more appropriate event could you use than this present one wherein the United States is proclaiming the four freedoms—Freedom from fear, freedom from want, freedom of speech and freedom of religion.

CACHET-CRAFT FIRST DAY COVERS

Mailed from Washington, D. C., February 12, 1943, on our own distinctive Cachet-Craft Envelopes.

STRIP OF THREE
12c

BLOCK OF FOUR
14c

BLOCK OF FOUR
WITH PLATE NUMBER
20c

The stamp will be printed from Electric Eye Plates, so called due to the perforating machine which is controlled by a photo-electric cell or "eye." Many collectors feel that they do not have the complete coverage unless they have the stamps with these marks on cover also.

DASH

Short perpendicular marks found on the margin at either right or left of the stamp.

Strip of three with dash markings15c

Block of four with dash markings16c

SLUG

Thin line on the margin running at right angles to the stamp, one per stamp.

Strip of three with slug mark15c

Block of four with slug mark16c

Block of four with slug mark and plate number .20c

GUIDE

Thin line found only once to every 400 stamps, used as a guide in cutting sheets into P. O. panes

Strip of three with guide mark20c

Block of four with guide mark20c

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In other words, each SERVICEKIT contains every single item you need to get ten covers serviced (except, of course, the money for the stamps!) and all for only 30c. Please note that this is only 5c more than our usual price for just the ten envelopes.

"CACHET-CRAFT" SERVICEKIT.....30c FOUR TO ONE ADDRESS.....\$1.10

A new kit is prepared immediately upon receipt of notice of the issuance of a new stamp.

CACHET-CRAFT ENVELOPES

For Those Who Make Their Own



We offer the very attractive cachet pictured above, printed in two colors on substantial Hammermill ripple-tone bond envelopes. The clear white, lasting paper of the envelopes plus the soft matching colors used in printing make a cover that you will all want in your collection.

STANDARD PRICE LIST FOR FIRST DAY ENVELOPES

10 - 25c	25 - 50c
50 - 75c	100 - \$1.00
250 - \$2.15	500 - \$3.75
1000 - \$6.90	

Third or fourth class postage is prepaid on the above. If you wish them sent first class or Special Handling additional postage should be sent. Any extra postage sent will be returned.

ADVANCE DEPOSIT PLAN FOR ENVELOPES

In response to a number of requests, we have established a plan whereby you may deposit a sum of money with us. You will then receive "Cachet-Craft" first day envelopes for each new stamp as soon as possible after announcement of same, without further bother on your part. In addition to a saving in the list price, you will save postage and cost of making remittance which would be necessary in ordering each time. Why not start in with this new Four Freedoms stamp?

For Each of the Next 10 New Stamps

10 Envelopes.....	\$2.10
25 Envelopes.....	4.10
50 Envelopes.....	6.65
100 Envelopes.....	8.90
250 Envelopes.....	20.25
500 Envelopes.....	35.50
1000 Envelopes.....	64.50
1 SERVICEKIT	2.45

All prices include postage, of course.

First Day Cover Catalog.....25c

DEFENSE STAMPS IMPERFORATE BETWEEN

The 1, 2 and 3c Defense stamps exist with no perforations between the stamps. We offer pairs absolutely imperforate between

1c — \$8.50	2c — \$4.75	3c — \$3.50
Set of the Three Pairs \$16.00		

U. S. AIRMAILS CENTER-LINE BLOCKS

We have one each of the 1918 airmail series, 6c, 16c and 24c values, Scott's #C1, 2, 3, available in nicely centered center-line blocks of four. The 16c has a very faint gum crease, other than that they are very close to superb.

6c — \$5.50	16c — \$18.00	24c — \$11.00
The Three as a Set — \$33.50		

Also very nice block of the 16c plain at \$9.50

Advance Deposit Plan For First Day Covers

We have a special service whereby you may send us a deposit and receive future covers without further bother, and at a substantial savings. Rates are as follows:

SINGLES on cover—5c over face; BLOCKS on cover—6c over face value; PLATE BLOCKS on cover—18c over face. These rates apply on all stamps up to the 5c values. Stamps above this value and imperforates run on an average of 1c per cover more, due to higher servicing rates. Mint blocks enclosed for 4c each over face.

Minimum deposits: Singles—\$1.00; Blocks—\$2.50; Plate Blocks—\$5.00; Mint Block enclosures—\$2.00. Any combination at individual rate of each. When making deposits please state maximum face value of individual stamps desired; and make sure your name and address are clearly printed.

This service will save you an average of 5c or more per issue and will assure you of receiving all new stamps when issued without further bother or worry on your part.

FIRST DAY COVERS NEW UNITED STATES STAMPED ENVELOPES

We have been promised a new set of stamped envelopes for nearly two years and now it seems probable that these will be issued sometime this year. The set will consist of 1, 1½, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 6c airmail values, total of eight varieties and each one printed on white paper, blue paper, and amber paper. We will service this, securing first day cancel, and print them with an attractive cachet.

Due to transportation difficulties, we cannot guarantee that these will be mailed direct. It may be necessary to forward to you under separate cover after issuance.

PRICE PER SET

Set of eight of any one color..	\$1.10
Set of 24—all three colors....	2.95



THE SPIRIT OF '76 CARRIES ON!

PATRIOTIC ENVELOPES For PATRIOTIC AMERICANS

Ten Striking Designs similar in Type to the Design above, drawn by Leading Artists, and all Printed in Two Colors (Blue and Red) on Clear White Envelopes.

Low enough in price so that everyone can use them for their personal correspondence.

TO SHOW LOYALTY USE PATRIOTIC ENVELOPES

We offer 12 of each of the 10 designs, or a total of

120 for \$1.00

For those who correspond less, we offer half lot, 60 for 55c.

Sample set of 10—25c

Sorry, but these cannot be mixed with the Four Freedoms Envelopes.

FREDERICK B. FITTS CO.

32 UNION AVENUE
FRAMINGHAM, MASS.

CANCELLATIONS AND POSTMARKS

★ 1847--1869 ★

This period in American history, during which postage stamps came into general use is unique in its contribution of such wide variety of interesting cancellations and postmarks. Prior to the Civil War, the brewing storm became evident in occasional uses of cancellations reflecting the public feeling. During the war, the national spirit was widely reflected and in the period immediately following, 1865-69, there was a most prolific use of cancellations and postmarks widely differing in type and design, but characteristic of the spirit of progress and of the newly gained national unity. These cancellations were made by the people...the postmaster in the country village...the postal clerk in the city. They were privileged to adopt such cancelling devices as seemed fitting to them. Some possessed great talent in making them. Others, no less ardent in their desire to make appropriate cancellers, were without artistic ability or manual dexterity. The employment of such cancellations and their spread throughout the country in the mails was a factor of great importance in expressing the minds of the people; much as the radio, today, accomplishes the same purpose. Particular, curious cancelling marks were bound to be noted as they passed through the mails, and by the recipients. The significance of such was not entirely lost on them, for the AMERICA of today is founded on the courage and perseverance of the people who wrote and received those same letters, which, today, we collectors cherish so highly. The collecting of such cancellations, and the interest in their social significance has always had a great following in Philately, and is a field unique among the stamps of the world.

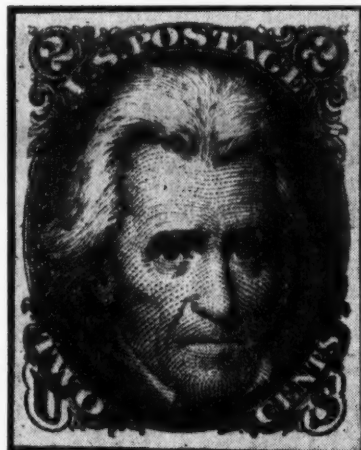
Our stock of cancellations and postmarks, 1847-1869 has been classified and arranged into 66 distinct groups. Appended is a list of these groups alphabetically arranged; serious collectors are invited to make their interests known to us.

The tremendous extent of our stock makes individual listings impossible. It will require several books of hundreds of pages each adequately to describe such things as we have available to collectors. It may be understood, without further comment, that each of these groups is composed of very large numbers of different types and kinds of cancellations. Prices are based on the type of cancellation, its relative scarcity and the clarity of the strike.

It is suggested that this list be filed for future reference.

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|-----------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Animals | 15. Express | 27. Gridirons | 41. O. K. | 54. Ship & Steamboat |
| 2. Anchors | 16. Figures (human, etc.) | 28. Hats | 42. Padlock | 55. Skull & Bones |
| 3. Arrow head | 17. Fish | 29. Heads | 43. Paid | 56. Star |
| 4. Bird | 18. Flag | 30. Hearts | 44. Patent | 57. Supplementary |
| 5. Carets | 19. Flowers | 31. Insects | 45. Pinwheel | 58. Trees |
| 6. Carriers | 20. Foot Wear | 32. Jack-o-Lantern | 46. P(ost) O(ffice) & P. O. | 59. Triangles |
| 7. Circles | 21. Fraternal—Masonic | 33. Leaves | 47. Precancelled | 60. Town |
| 8. Colored | 22. Fraternal—Other than | 34. Letters: Single | 48. Printed | 61. "U. S." |
| 9. Crescent | Masonic | 35. Letters: 2 or more | 49. Rail Road | 62. "U. S. A." |
| 10. Crosses | 23. Fraternities; Schools & | 36. Letters: Reversed | 50. Rectangles | 63. "US + Date" |
| 11. Cross Roads | Colleges | 37. Man in the Moon | 51. Registered | 64. U. S. P." |
| 12. Diamonds | 24. Free | 38. Masks | 52. Shields | 65. Words |
| 13. Discs | 25. Funny Face | 39. Nondescript | 53. Shoo Fly | 66. Year, Month, Day |
| 14. Eagles | 26. Geometrics | 40. Numeral | | |

The TWO Cent Black Jack Stamp, Issue of 1863



The DIE PROOF

-Courtesy Philatelic Research Laboratories, Inc.

Date of Issue July 1, 1863.
Basic color Black.
Printed by "National Bank Note Co., New York" (Imprinted on Top and Bottom margins).
Design Andrew Jackson, 7th President of United States.
Plate layout 2 panes of 100 stamps each divided vertically.
Size of stamp 20½ x 24½ mm.
Color of paper 1. Grayish white.
 2. White.
 3. Yellowish.
Thickness of paper 1. Opaque or thick.
 2. Semi-transparent. (Opaque medium thick.)
 3. Thin hard paper.
 4. Thin pelure paper. (Oily appearance.)
 5. Soft wove paper.
Perforation Gauge 12 x 12 regular; 12 x 12 irregular (jack knife).
Dividing marks Dividing lines between left & right panes of plate (no arrow).
Plates used No. 28-29-30-31-50-51-53.
Numbers issued 256,566,000 (includes 1868 grilled stamps) according to John Luff.
Shades 1. Grayish black.
 2. Pale grayish black.
 3. Black.
 4. Full black.
 5. Intense black.



The ORIGINAL

-Courtesy Philatelic Research Laboratories, Inc.

Unusual Offers of U. S. 2c '63

USED - Average Fine Condition - USED

SHADES		PLATE & PRINTING VARIETIES		PACKETS OF POSTAL CANCELLATIONS	
Grayish black	\$.60	Small double transfer	.60	10 diff. postal cancellations	6.75
Pale grayish black	.65	Large double transfer	4.00	25 diff. postal cancellations	22.50
Black	.60	Small triple transfer	1.50	50 diff. postal cancellations	60.00
Full black	2.50	Large triple transfer	12.50	100 diff. postal cancellations	157.50
Intense black	3.00	Small cracked plate	2.50	150 diff. postal cancellations	265.00
PAPER VARIETIES		Large cracked plate	20.00	COLLECTIONS (Mounted)	
On ordinary opaque paper	.60	Short transfer	.60	200 diff. postal cancellations	400.00
On semi-opaque paper	.60	Minor retouches	.65	300 diff. postal cancellations	700.00
On thin paper	.85	Prominent retouches	1.50	400 diff. postal cancellations	1250.00
On pelure paper (oily appearance)	3.00	Printed on both sides	750.00	500 diff. postal cancellations	1875.00
On soft wove paper	3.50	DIVIDING LINES		600 diff. postal cancellations	2600.00
Brownish paper (Francis patent)	25.00	R. or L. full length line	2.00	750 diff. postal cancellations	3750.00
Double paper, starch backing (Steel patent)	1000.00	T. or B. Gutter line	5.00		
		CANCELLATIONS			
		Ordinary black cork	.60		
		blue cork	.75		
		red cork	1.50		
		brown red cork	1.40		
		green cork	13.00		
		ultramarine	15.00		
		magenta	10.00		
		orange	22.50		
		Town in black	3.50		
		in blue	5.00		
		in red	7.50		
		Masonic	15.00		
		Carrier in black	2.50		
		in blue	4.00		
		in red	5.00		
		Manuscript (pen cane)	.35		
		Express Co. in blue	15.00		
		Paid (straight line)	4.00		
		Numeral cancellation	10.00		
		Initial letters	8.00		
		"Bee" in blue	25.00		

TERMS: Net cash with order. Remittance is to be made by money order, bank draft or express order. Orders under \$1.00 will be filled only if accompanied with postage and self addressed envelope.

WHOLESALE ORDERS REJECTED

FOR THE DURATION—In order to save labor please do not send us any stamps to purchase. If you have anything in U. S. for disposal, kindly write first (enclosing self addressed stamped envelope) and if we are interested you will hear from us promptly.

Y. SOUREN COMPANY

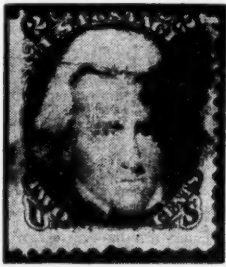
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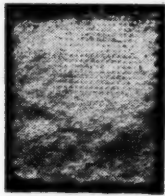
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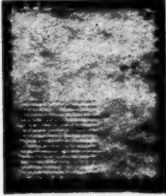
ISSUE OF 1868



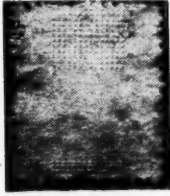
"Z" Grill. Large horizontal crack.



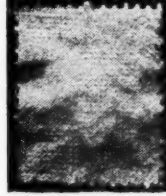
Split "D" Grill.



Split "Z" Grill.



Split "E" Grill.



Double "F" Grill. One split.



"E" Grill. Perfect "BEE."

Date of Issue	1868 (Memorandum to 1867 contract).
Basic color	Black.
Printed by	"National Bank Note Co., New York" (Imprinted on Top and Bottom margins).
Design	Andrew Jackson, 7th President of United States.
Plate layout	2 panes of 100 stamps each divided vertically.
Size of stamp	20½ x 24½ mm.
Color of Paper	1. Grayish white. 2. White. 3. Yellowish.
Thickness of paper	1. Opaque or thick. 2. Semi-transparent. (Opaque medium thick.) 3. Thin hard paper. 4. Thin pelure paper. (Oily appearance.) 5. Soft wove paper.
Perforation	Gauge 12 x 12 regular; 12 x 12 irregular (jack knife).
Dividing marks	Dividing lines between left & right panes of plate (no arrow).
Plates used	No. 28-29-30-31-50-51-53.
Accepted designation	"D" Grill.
Nature of Grill	Official-Experimental.
Size of Grill	About 12 x 14 mm.
No. of Grill Points	15 x 17 to 18.
Numbers issued	About 650,000. (From research records of the Philatelic Research Laboratories, Inc.)
Shades	1. Black. 2. Full black. 3. Intense black.

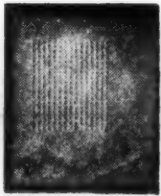
Date of Issue	1868 (Memorandum to 1867 contract).
Basic color	Black.
Printed by	"National Bank Note Co., New York" (Imprinted on Top and Bottom margins).
Design	Andrew Jackson, 7th President of United States.
Plate layout	2 panes of 100 stamps each divided vertically.
Size of stamp	20½ x 24½ mm.
Color of paper	1. Grayish white. 2. White. 3. Yellowish.
Thickness of paper	1. Opaque or thick. 2. Semi-transparent. (Opaque medium thick.) 3. Thin hard paper. 4. Thin pelure paper. (Oily appearance.) 5. Soft wove paper.
Perforation	Gauge 12 x 12 regular; 12 x 12 irregular (jack knife).
Dividing marks	Dividing lines between left & right panes of plate (no arrow).
Plates used	No. 28-29-30-31-50-51-53.
Accepted designation	"Z" Grill.
Nature of Grill	Official under contract.
Size of Grill	About 11 x 14 mm.
No. of Grill Points	13, 14 or 15 x 17 or 18.
Numbers issued	About 9,000,000. (From research records of the Philatelic Research Laboratories, Inc.)
Shades	1. Grayish black. 2. Pale grayish black. 3. Black. 4. Full black. 5. Intense black.

Date of Issue	1868 (Memo. to 1867 contr.)
Basic color	Black.
Printed by	"National Bank Note Co., New York" (Imprinted on Top and Bottom margins).
Design	Andrew Jackson, 7th President of United States.
Plate layout	2 panes of 100 stamps each divided vertically.
Size of stamp	20½ x 24½ mm.
Color of paper	1. Grayish white. 2. White. 3. Yellowish.
Thickness of paper	1. Opaque or thick. 2. Semi-transparent. (Opaque medium thick.) 3. Thin hard paper. 4. Thin pelure paper. (Oily appearance.) 5. Soft wove paper.
Perforation	Gauge 12 x 12 regular; 12 x 12 irregular (jack knife).
Dividing marks	Dividing lines between left & right panes of plate (no arrow).
Plates used	No. 28-29-30-31-50-51-53.
Accepted designation	"E" Grill.
Nature of Grill	Official under contract.
Size of Grill	About 11 x 13 mm.
No. of Grill Points	14 x 14, 15, 16, 17.
Numbers issued	About 50,000,000. (From research records of the Philatelic Research Laboratories, Inc.)
Shades	1. Grayish black. 2. Pale grayish black. 3. Black. 4. Full black. 5. Intense black.

Date of Issue	1868 (Memo. to 1867 contr.)
Basic color	Black.
Printed by	"National Bank Note Co., New York" (Imprinted on Top and Bottom margins).
Design	Andrew Jackson, 7th President of United States.
Plate layout	2 panes of 100 stamps each divided vertically.
Size of stamp	20½ x 24½ mm.
Color of paper	1. Grayish white. 2. White. 3. Yellowish.
Thickness of paper	1. Opaque or thick. 2. Semi-transparent. (Opaque medium thick.) 3. Thin hard paper. 4. Thin pelure paper. (Oily appearance.) 5. Soft wove paper.
Perforation	Gauge 12 x 12 regular; 12 x 12 irregular (jack knife).
Dividing marks	Dividing lines between left & right panes of plate (no arrow).
Plates used	No. 28-29-30-31-50-51-53.
Accepted designation	"F" Grill.
Nature of Grill	Official under contract.
Size of Grill	About 9 x 13 mm.
No. of Grill Points	11 or 12 x 15, 16 or 17.
Numbers issued	About 85,000,000. (From research records of the Philatelic Research Laboratories, Inc.)
Shades	1. Grayish black. 2. Pale grayish black. 3. Black. 4. Full black. 5. Intense black.

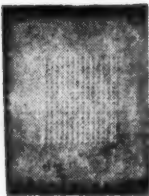
Unusual Offers of U. S. 2c '68 Grilled

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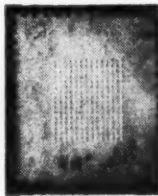
2c "D" GRILL

SHADES	
Black	\$45.00
Full black	62.50
Intense black	100.00
PAPER VARIETIES	
On ordinary opaque paper	45.00
On semi-opaque paper	45.00
On thin paper	90.00
On pelure paper (oily appearance)	100.00
PLATE & PRINTING VARIETIES	
Small double transfer	50.00
Large double transfer	100.00
Small triple transfer	50.00
Large triple transfer	300.00
Small cracked plate	55.00
Large cracked plate	250.00
Short transfer	50.00
Minor retouches	50.00
Prominent retouches	65.00
DIVIDING LINES	
R. or L. full length line	75.00
T. or B. Gutter line	100.00
GRILL VARIETIES	
Split grill	100.00
CANCELLATIONS	
Ordinary black cork	45.00
blue cork	70.00
red cork	80.00
Town in black	100.00
in blue	100.00
in red	100.00
Carrier in black	100.00
in blue green	100.00
in red	100.00
Manuscript (pen cane.)	22.50



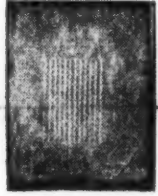
2c "Z" GRILL

SHADES	
Grayish black	\$10.00
Pale grayish black	30.00
Black	7.50
Full black	7.50
Intense black	10.00
PAPER VARIETIES	
On ordinary opaque paper	7.50
On semi-opaque paper	7.50
On thin paper	10.00
PLATE & PRINTING VARIETIES	
Small double transfer	7.50
Large double transfer	12.50
Small triple transfer	9.50
Large triple transfer	15.00
Small cracked plate	13.00
Large cracked plate	200.00
Short transfer	8.00
Minor retouches	8.00
Prominent retouches	12.00
DIVIDING LINES	
R. or L. full length line	10.00
T. or B. Gutter line	25.00
GRILL VARIETIES	
Split grill	60.00
Double grill	150.00
CANCELLATIONS	
Ordinary black cork	7.50
blue cork	10.00
red cork	14.00
brown red cork	17.50
blue green cork	17.50
orange yellow	40.00
Town in black	25.00
in blue	40.00
in red	45.00
Masonic in black	50.00
in blue	27.50
in red	30.00
Carrier in black	35.00
in blue	30.00
in red	35.00
Manuscript (pen cane.)	3.75
Paid (straight line)	60.00
Numeral cancellation	50.00
Initial letters	50.00
"Bee" in blue	75.00
Steamship	200.00
Shield (U. S. in heart)	100.00
COLLECTIONS OF POSTAL CANCELLATIONS (Mounted)	
10 diff. postal cancellations	92.50
25 diff. postal cancellations	335.00
50 diff. postal cancellations	975.00
300 diff. postal cancellations	6850.00



2c "E" GRILL

SHADES	
Grayish black	\$ 2.75
Pale grayish black	2.50
Black	1.60
Full black	1.60
Intense black	2.50
PAPER VARIETIES	
On ordinary opaque paper	2.75
On semi-opaque paper	1.60
On thin paper	2.25
On pelure paper (oily appearance)	2.10
Double paper, (Steel patent)	1250.00
PLATE & PRINTING VARIETIES	
Small double transfer	1.00
Large double transfer	4.00
Small triple transfer	3.00
Large triple transfer	12.50
Small cracked plate	2.50
Large cracked plate	20.00
Short transfer	1.60
Minor retouches	1.75
Prominent retouches	3.50
DIVIDING LINES	
R. or L. full length line	2.50
T. or B. Gutter line	5.00
GRILL VARIETIES	
Split grill	7.25
Double grill	35.00
CANCELLATIONS	
Ordinary black cork	1.00
blue cork	2.25
red cork	2.75
brown red cork	7.50
blue green cork	13.00
orange yellow	35.00
Town in black	6.00
in blue green	15.00
in red	25.00
Masonic in blue	15.00
Carrier in black	5.00
in blue	10.00
in red	10.00
Manuscript (pen cane.)	1.25
Paid (straight line)	10.00
Numeral cancellation	10.00
Initial letters	10.00
"Bee" in blue	25.00
Steamship	45.00
Shield (U. S. in heart) in blue	25.00
COLLECTIONS OF POSTAL CANCELLATIONS (Mounted)	
10 diff. postal cancellations	22.00
25 diff. postal cancellations	78.00
50 diff. postal cancellations	270.00
300 diff. postal cancellations	3150.00



2c "F" GRILL

SHADES	
Grayish black	\$ 5.00
Pale grayish black	2.00
Black	1.10
Full black	6.50
Intense black	15.00
PAPER VARIETIES	
On ordinary opaque paper	1.40
On semi-opaque paper	1.10
On thin paper	3.00
On pelure paper (oily appearance)	6.00
Stitch watermark	20.00
PLATE & PRINTING VARIETIES	
Small double transfer	1.10
Large double transfer	4.00
Small triple transfer	1.00
Large triple transfer	12.50
Small cracked plate	2.50
Large cracked plate	20.00
Short transfer	1.10
Minor retouches	1.25
Prominent retouches	3.50
DIVIDING LINES	
R. or L. full length line	2.00
T. or B. Gutter line	5.00
GRILL VARIETIES	
Split grill	7.25
Double grill	22.50
CANCELLATIONS	
Ordinary black cork	1.10
blue cork	1.60
red cork	2.40
brown red cork	6.00
blue green cork	13.00
orange yellow	35.00
Town in black	5.00
in blue green	15.00
in red	25.00
Masonic in blue	15.00
Carrier in black	4.00
in blue	10.00
in red	9.00
Manuscript (pen cane.)	.65
Paid (straight line)	6.00
Numeral cancellation	10.00
Initial letters	8.00
"Bee" in blue	25.00
Steamship	45.00
Shield (U. S. in heart) in blue	25.00
COLLECTIONS OF POSTAL CANCELLATIONS (Mounted)	
10 diff. postal cancellations	11.50
25 diff. postal cancellations	41.50
50 diff. postal cancellations	127.50
300 diff. postal cancellations	3150.00

Know Your Grills

Half Tone cuts cannot picture the grill with absolute accuracy BECAUSE of the screen points. (Examine cuts with magnifying glass.)
We can supply original glossy photographs, produced by the Philatelic Research Laboratories, Inc., at 25c each, or all ten photos as illustrated in this ad for

\$1.50

TERMS: Net cash with order. Remittance is to be made by money order, bank draft or express order. Orders under \$1.00 will be filled only if accompanied with postage and self addressed envelope.

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FOR THE DURATION—In order to save labor please do not send us any stamps to purchase. If you have anything in U. S. for disposal, kindly write first (enclosing self addressed stamped envelope) and if we are interested you will hear from us promptly.

Y. SOUREN COMPANY

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DETROIT NEWS

By Don R. Heath

The Wayne Stamp Society will resume meetings after a holiday lay-off on Thursday evening January 14th at the St. Clair Community House. Attendance has been fairly good at the meetings despite gas rationing. Chas. Brisley will have a program at this meeting, and one phase of it will be to take the writer of

this column "apart" so it behooves me to attend and pick up the pieces. All collectors are welcome at any of the meetings, second and fourth Thursday evenings.

The Mt. Clemens Stamp Club which has had to almost suspend activities, due to its members being so busy with other matters, held a meeting on December 17. The crowd was rather small, but a good time was reported by the faithful who attended. Reports sent the writer do not state as

to whether plans were laid for the next meeting or not. Due to the gas and tire situation it is not likely that the regulars from Detroit will be able to help much for a while, but will look forward to the day when the "sun shines again." The secretary's address is Miss Irene Crawford, 110 Grand Ave., Mt. Clemens Mich.

The Don M. Dickinson Philatelic Society held their annual Banquet and Ladies night at the Western "Y" on Saturday Jan.

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U. S. Commemorative Stamp Facts

(Reprinted from the booklet of the same title by Captain A. C. Townsend).

The Yorktown Stamp

Congressman R. B. Fitzgerald of Dayton, Ohio, an ardent stamp collector, can claim credit for this handsome stamp. The 150th anniversary of the surrender of Lord Cornwallis to Washington at Yorktown, Va., was to be celebrated there in October, 1931, and Mr. Fitzgerald was one of a celebration committee appointed by Congress. He called attention to the fact that we had honored Polish and German allies and said that the French should now be also honored, so the stamp appeared with portraits of Count de Rochambeau and Admiral de Grasse in addition to that of Washington.

The 2c—Washington, de Grasse & Rochambeau—was issued Oct.

19, 1931, flat plate, perf 11, unwatermarked. It is officially recorded in carmine rose and black and runs into seven different shades, bright carmine to dark lake. Washington's portrait is from the one by John Trumbull owned by Yale University. Those of Rochambeau and de Grasse are from engravings in the Library of Congress.

There were two printings of these stamps, first in sheets of 100s, cut to 50s and with straight edge, but so much difficulty was found in centering the portraits that the panes were placed 25mm. apart instead of 3mm. and perforated on all sides. There is a scarce double transfer and a number of minor varieties of little importance.

22,691,400 were printed from the first layout, and 2,315,000 from the second. On the first there were used red border plates 20461 to 65 and 20478 to 88, with black plates 20470, 72 to 77, 20504 to 12 and 20597 to 20602.

On the second layout the red plates were 20646 to 49 and 20668 to 71, with black plates 20650 to 53, and 20656 to 20667.

First day covers are officially from Wethersfield, Conn., where Washington conferred and planned with his French allies, and Yorktown, Va., the place of the surrender, but the stamps were sent in advance to many post-offices with orders not to distribute them until October 20th. These orders were disregarded and many prior-dated covers exist.

Twice Told

Items from stamp periodicals of other years reprinted for collectors of today, selected from the philatelic library of D. D. Livingston.

THE ACE OF SPADES

In England the first act imposing a tax upon playing cards provided that no pack should be sold unless marked by the stamp office to show that the duty had been paid, one stamp being placed on the wrapper and another on the face of "one of the cards."

A good deal of confusion arose and as the law was often evaded, a later regulation stated that the ace of spades should be the duty card and that it should be printed by the authorities themselves, the makers supplying the paper. Sheets of twenty aces of spades used to be issued by the stamp office to the manufacturers—for a sovereign.

A century later an act lowered the duty to three pence, and this was laid on the wrapper supplied by the stamp office. The manufacturers then, of course, printed their own aces of spades, but the custom of having the card different from the rest still prevailed, and the ace was, and is, generally utilized as an advertisement for the makers—a kind of a title page, as it were, to the whole pack.

—Twice-a-month Philatelic Gossip, November 1, 1922.

INSTALL NEW OFFICERS

The installation dinner of the Rockaway Philatelic Society will be held at Berger's Restaurant, 1913 Mott Ave. Far Rockaway, N. Y. on January 14, 1943. John H. Beerman will exhibit his collection of foreign covers. Those interested in joining the society please communicate with Fred Kaplan, Smith Building, Far Rockaway, N. Y. secretary.

CAMDEN DISPATCH FACED PRIVATE N. J. MAIL FIRM

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petition with Washington.

The Jenkins Camden Dispatch was followed by five others in New Jersey, including the Atlantic City Dispatch.

Newark Follows Camden

The first firm in the state to follow Jenkins' lead was the City Letter Express Mail of Newark, in 1856. Bradway's Dispatch of Millville opened in 1857; Jebeze Fearey and Company's Mustang Express in Newark in 1870, and the Bayonne City Dispatch in 1883. It was in that year, incidentally, when the government decided to eliminate private competition and outlawed the independent mail serving agencies.

The private operators, with their wide variety of stamp faces, contributed a colorful era to the nation's development, and in the men who catered to the needs of their fellow citizens were Samuel and William Jenkins, of Camden.

Stamp Collector Interested

Eugene Klein, internationally known stamp authority, of Philadelphia, has always taken a keen interest in the stamp issues of the Jenkins Camden Dispatch and their historical background, and at a meeting of the Philatelic Congress, of which he is president, held in the Hotel Traymore in Atlantic City some years ago he read a paper on this old Camden postal delivery system and brought out many hitherto unknown facts of which the following are the most interesting:

Samuel H. and William Henry Jenkins were the sons of Andrew and Lydia Jenkins. Both sons were born in the old homestead, then located at 428 Plum street. Samuel H. Jenkins was born on Sept. 18, 1826. He married Charlotte Leech, to whom a daughter was born, who died in infancy. Soon after this, his wife also passed on.

In the latter part of 1856, he began to fail in health, and finding that his long walks, tired him too much, he purchased a low buggy and a small gray mare by the name of Nellie. He became quite a familiar figure driving all over Camden with his gray mare.

In the meantime, he became acquainted with a pretty widow from Washington, named Mary Vanvolkenberg, who had moved to Camden. He had intended to marry the widow, but instead of regaining his health, he developed tuberculosis and died Sept. 28, 1857. Before his death, he exacted a promise from his brother, William that he take over his (Samuel's) obligation to marry Mrs. Vanvolkenberg. They actually married in June, the following year.

Learned Wood Carving

The younger brother, William Henry Jenkins, was born Jan. 11, 1833. He learned wood-carving and became very proficient at his trade. He was of a saving disposition and, by the age of 25, he had saved enough to purchase the lot next to the old homestead, at 430 Plum street, where he erected a three story brick house. "Bill" Jenkins, as he was called by his many friends, took an active part in all civic affairs. He had the rank of captain in the Home Guards and was an active member of the order of Odd Fellows.

In 1863 William purchased another building lot at 509 Benson street, where he erected a new home for his family. After giving up the mail service, he entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad, working in their shops at Bordentown, as a wood-carver, where he was employed until his death on February 26, 1875.—Courier-Post, Camden, N. J.

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Double Lines.

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Error.

A kick is coming to me or the Linotype operator for that "Sad News" item a couple of weeks ago. Better look over the operator first he might be a pretty big guy. Any way it was not the 3c Presidential but the 30c that has been long looked for in Toledo and was not used over the Holidays as expected.

A Tip.

Some of our tips are good, some bad, and a lot are indifferent. Maybe this is a good one, at least it is second handed but still news. In Hanson Millers West Virginia notes in the January OP-
MIST he notes that Wheeling had a 1c NARROW Presidential bureau, shortly thereafter a 1c NARROW Defense appeared which leads Mr. Miller to surmise that perhaps this was a split shipment. The way to play safe is to get both items. The Defense item has a chance to be reordered but if the department carries out the set started with the 3c Win The War item, and with the 2c United Nations in the offering it is only natural to assume that the 1c will be next and Wheeling might not need any more precancels till the new stamp is out.

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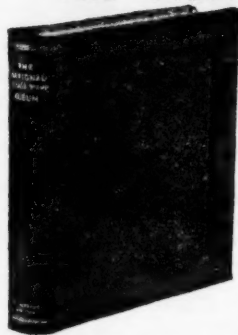
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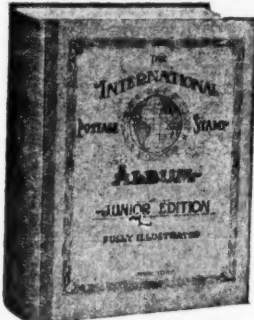
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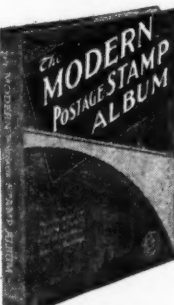
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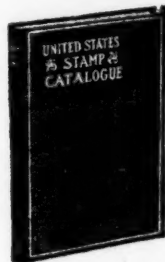
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